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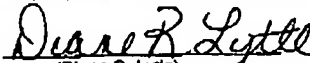
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For: **PILLAR SHIELD FOR SECURING A WIRE
HARNESS**

Examiner: V. L. MacArthur

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed
November 22, 2004, applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I, Claims 1 - 12 and 17 - 28 for
continued examination, with traverse.

The Examiner has required restriction between

Group I Claims 1 - 12 and 17 - 28

Group II Claims 13 - 16

The Commissioner may require restriction if two or more independent and distinct
inventions are claimed in a single application (37 CFR 1.142(a)). In the present case, although
the claimed subject matter may be classified in different classes, the inventions are not
independent.

If the Examiner is aware of another method to make the product as claimed, using a
process which is materially different from that set forth in the restricted claims, applicant

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respectfully requests the Examiner to substantiate his position in greater detail. Otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be withdrawn, and that each of claims presently pending in this application be examined.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. 65783-0029 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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